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Date of Interview: 14 October 2008.

Type: a) Telephonic b) Video Conference
 c) Personal [copy given to: 1) applicant 2) applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e) No.
 If Yes, brief description: surgical movie and sawbones demo.

Claim(s) discussed: 123,142 and 159.

Identification of prior art discussed: Jackson (US Pat 6,251,112).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: representative for applicant discussed Final Action mailed 6/24/2008. Examiner and attorneys discussed possible claim amendments that appear to place the case in condition for allowance. The examiner agreed to consider the amendments towards allowance after formal submission in an After Final amendment.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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